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PERSONAL.

Dr. H. B. Ware and family returned from At lantic City yesterday. Mrs. W. C. Brainard, of Buffalo, N. Y., Is the guest of Mrs. C. E. Bradbury, of 40s Qdine

Mrs. S. C. Barker, of Tinton, Iowa, is the gues

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jones, Miss Helen Jones Fred Jones and Miss Grace Norton returned to this city last night, after a Medittenaman tour on the steamship Celtic, Mr. and Mrs. Resse G. Brooks, who were also on the tour, will arrive

in this city today. A four-horse tally-ho coaching party, consist A four-noise (1419-no coarning party, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Beulleeton, of New York: Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Price and Mrs. Parter Clark, of Hazleton; Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Wentz and Mrs. A. L. Baker, of Seranton, stopped at the Allen house, Honesdale, Sunday night. They left yesterday morning for Milford, en-route for Philadelphia.

A Company Formed.

Scranton, Pa., May 15, 1902. To Whom it May Concern: I beg to announce that the wholesale

general commission and market business formerly conducted by me ut Nos. 110, 112 and 114 Penn avenue and No. 19 accounts due the said business are made payable to the company by the transfer, and all indebtedness of the said business will be discharged by the

The members of sald company are W. H. Plerce, Daniel S. Stone, John G. Hughes, H. R. Higham and M. M. Bennett, who will conduct the business as heretofore and respectfully solicit your W. H. Pierce. The company hereby accepts the above notice.

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IN SCRANTON

TELLS OF HER CAPTIVITY IN BULGARIA.

Woman Missionary, Who Was Kidnapped by Brigands and Held Until Ransomed by Her Countrypeople. Delivers an Interesting Lecture at the Lyceum-Declares Unhesitatingly That She Believes the Turkish Government Is in League with the Brigands.

Miss Ellen Stone should obtain redress from the photographers who are esponsible for her portraits, and from he papers that have printed them, for n no case do these pictures give her even faint justice. Imagine a lady with fine carriage, a well-shaped head, with a brilliance of eye and mobility of countenance which no photograph can eproduce, with a charm of manner and richness of diction impossible to describe, and a slight idea may be gained of her personality. What cannot be portrayed are the ghosts of dimples that were at the corners of her mouth before the terrible strain of months left her worn and wearled, the quick flashes of humor and the gentle pathos which send varied expressions across her face. Miss Stone is a fascinating conversationalist and is responsive to a degree. Last night she was a guest at the home of Colonel and Mrs. E. H

Ripple, and her cleverness of expression and swift thought were a delight. She has just come from Washington, where she met the president. "Oh, but he is an energetic man," she said, laughingly. "He was there a moment and then he wasn't. I never saw any ne make such haste to do things." Miss Stone believes that Consul Dick-

nson, who, it will be remembered, is a Binghamton man did all he could for er release. That he falled was not due to any lack of effort on his part, but rather the inability of the western mind to cope with the Oriental. He was too unfamiliar with ways that are dark and tricks that are vain, and found it difficult to view matters in the necessary line of obliquity

She unhesitatingly admits her belief that the Turkish government is in league with the brigands, and does not see why Europe hesitates in establishing some decent form of government over those Christian divisions of Bulgaria which so desires them.

Miss Stone is accompanied by he liece from Boston.

LECTURE AT THE LYCEUM. To Rev. Thomas de Gruchy is due he credit of securing Miss Stone in Scranton, and while it was unfortunate that this great lecture should have taken place in the early days of the strike, for no doubt it was affected by this, still the Lyceum was well filled. He has been assisted by Mr. Fred C.

Rev. Dr. de Gruchy introduced Miss Stone in happily chosen words. He was followed by Rev. Dr. Pierce, of the Penn Avenue Baptist church, who also made a pleasant speech of welcome to the lady he placed in the same category with Dorcas, Joan of Are and Irace Darling.

Miss Stone gave a minute account of her terrible experiences. Beginning with a description of the political situa-Livery, Boarding, Heavy Teaming with a description of the policial situation in Bulgaria, she told of the kidnapping, the horrible days when she and Mrs. Tsilka supposed they were to be killed, and of the other horrible days that followed, lengthening into weary veeks and months. The incredible suffering, the hardships and the agony of mind, make up a tale of the most

tragic interest. As she described the death of th poor fellow whom the brigands killed on the day of the capture, the dramatic power of the speaker rose to a climax, "Would that my ears had been stopped that day," she said, "for I think until the day of my death will ring therein that death cry as they stabbed him, after brutally beating him about the head."

It was long before they knew, these poor, forlorn women, that they were being held for ransom, but when they heard that it was for such a large rum, \$110,000, their spirits fell again The brigands were terrible creatures indeed, but they did not rob their captives, nor cause them to undergo in digulties other than their privations and weary marches through the nights and their shut-in days, where often they must whisper for days together They slept in sheep-folds, in wine cellars, in caves of the earth, under the open skies, in the bitter cold. They were made to ride up the steepes mountain sides in the darkness. They were Ill-clad and often ill-fed.

MOVED TO KINDNESS.

When the baby came to Mrs. Tsilka their captors were a little kinder. They believed that a curse would fall upon who harmed the child or its mother, but when the little creature was but three days old, they made her ride with it eight and a half hours over the mountains. They built a box for her, which had a grewsome suggestiveness, and in it placed the unhappy young mother, thus carrying her, while Miss Stone held the baby in her arms.

As Mrs. Tsilka was laid in her narrow bed, she looked up at the brigands and said pathetically the words which the people of that country say over the dead that are shut away; "The Lord forgive her," and at this one man broke down and wept in protest. This

was the only feeling shown. The release at Strumitza was graphically pictured, and then followed a Lackawanna avenue, has been sold and magnificent series of views, giving a transferred to The Pierce company. All vivid idea of the natives, the village life in Bansko, and the appearance of the captives with the little child, after their freedom was gained.

> The Tsilkas are still detained in Bulgarla, awaiting the trial of the ridiculous charge of having conspired in the kidnapping of the young wife and Miss

A CLEVER PERFORMANCE. High School Pupils Presented Oper-

etta Last Night. A number of pupils of the High school ave a very creditable rendition three-act operetta, entitled "A Merry Company," in the High school audi torium last night. Nearly one thou-

sand persons saw and heartily enjoyed the performance. The operetta was rather an innocuous affair and that it was made to "go" was due entirely to the life put into it by the performers. It was a represen-tation of the haps and mishaps of a

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panied by a party of soldier boys, who acted in the dual capacity of protectors

F. K. Gunster assumed the role of Charles, an old man, with no little skill and sang several solos most acceptably. The dark, Castilian beauty of Miss Daisy Perry, when she had doffed her disguise as an old woman, made he the center of attraction. John Burns made a manly captain of the cadets, and the Misses Isabella Feinberg and Jennie Burns were acceptable in smaller roles. The comedy roles were filled by Messrs. Allen, Dean and Evans, who made quite a hit as three weird and wonderful policemen. Their singing of Eddie Foy's "tired" song, from "The Strollers," was much appreciated.

Miss Bessle Stackhouse took the role of a gipsy and played two violin solos with exquisite feeling and a sureness of touch remarkable in so young an A marching corps of young artist. women. dressed entirely in white evoked much applause for their drill-

FIERCE FIRE AT KIZER.

William Cobb Sustained a Loss of \$12,000, on Which There Was No Insurance.

Kizers, a little farming hamlet lo cated in Wayne county, was visited by a flerce conflagration on Saturday night. Shortly before 8 o'clock, flames were discovered issuing from the engine room of William Cobb's sawmill, and in a very few minutes the flames spread to the mill, which was destroyed, together with a two-story frame dwelling, which adjoined the

Several small buildings which stood near the mill were soon licked up by the flames. Stored about the yard were hundreds of thousand feet of sawed lumber. This became ignited, and a large amount of it fell a prey to the angry flames. The church bell was rung, and a general alarm given up and down Kizer valley. The men formed a bucket brigade, and valiantly fought the flames. Many had their hands and faces blistered, but their efforts were rewarded, for some four nundred thousand feet of sawed lumer, stored across a small creek, was

The entire property, including the umber, was the property of William lobb, of Kizer. The loss will foot up nearly \$12,000, with no insurance.

THE GAS FRANCHISE.

Council Committee Considered It Last Night-Paine Don't Believe in Following After Ancestors.

The ordinance awarding a franchis o the Consumers' Gas company, which vas vetoed by Recorder Connell some few months ago, but which is again in ouncils, was considered at length last light by the light and water committee of the common brauch.

H. E. Paine Insisted that a clause be inserted in the ordinance providing that the company should agree to pay for damages caused asphalt pavement by the escape of gas. He said that the Barber Asphalt company persists in refusing to repair certain portions of the pave on Jefferson avenue because it is alleged that it has been damaged by the escape of gas and that the company's contract with the city does not provide for the repair of such The amendment, he suggested, was incorporated in the ordiance as well as another, providing that free gas be furnished to the several fire houses as well as to the city

hall and police stations. Mr. Paine offered still a third amendnent providing that for the years 1905-06 the company shall pay a tax of wo per cent. on its gross receipts, and or every year thereafter a tax of five per cent, on its gross receipts.

Final action on the ordinance was neld over until Thursday night, when the committee will meet, just prior to the council meeting.

THE CHOIR REORGANIZED.

The Wilkes-Barre choir reorganized last evening, after disbandment last Wednesday evening. There was present a large number of prominent musical men from all over the valley. G. M. Williams, of Kingston, spoke in behalf of those in the valley who are interested in the success of the Scranton eisteddfod, and for the musical fame of the Wilkes-Barre singers, and urged the members of the choir to stick together and go to Scranton and capture the \$1,000 prize. There were one hundred and forty-two members pres-

John Lloyd Evans was elected leader of the choir and some of the most prominent men of this city have inormed the committee that they will extend their aid in making this affair success. The next rehearsal will be held at Columbus hall. North Main street, next Wednesday evening at 7.30. -Wilkes-Barre Record.

Contract Sundered. I desire to notify the public that on and after this date no person is authorized to offer any premiums as inducements to subscribing for the Sunday Free Press. The portrait contract has been annulled. P. W. Gallagher, Publisher.

PREPARING FOR THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Decorators Have Begun the Task of Transforming the Buildings of the City for the Conclave.

Yesterday the city began to put on ts gay garb for the Knights Templar onclave, which takes place here the first three days of next week. The Traders' bank, the St. Charles and the Conway hotel were the first to be decorated. The professional decorators say they have orders for the most extensive and most elaborate decorations the city has ever known. They will have to work steadily from now until next Monday morning to complete their contracts. A number of the business houses will do their own decorating, and it is proposed by them that their work shall surpass that of the professionals. At the last conclave, in this city, six years ago, it will be remembered, the most attractive decorations were those which were designed and executed by the dry goods and some other merchants, themelves. The conclave committee on decorations has learned of several mer chants who intend to outdo anything that was done in the decorating line at he former conclave.

The work of decorating the new arnory for Tuesday night's ball and turnoi is already practically complete. All that remains to be done is to put the dancing platform in place and set the greens with which it is to be lished. The Fuhrmans, on this job have done the best work they ever attempted. Those who will be fortunate enough to get a view of the armory interior next Tuesday night will behold a most enchanting sight. Grand Commander Thomas F. Penman, Charles D. Sanderson, chairman of the executive committee; Frank M. Vandling, treasurer of the executive committee: Judson B. Woolsey, chairman of the committee on decorations, and Charles R. Acker, chairman of the refreshment committee, visited the armory yesterday afternoon to inspect the decorations. They declared themselves as delighted with the work.

Chairman Woolsey, of the committee the public that the Knights Templar colors are black and white, and that these should properly predominate. The red passion cross and maltese cross are

also appropriate. Occupants of business houses and not make some progress. residences along the line of march of Luesday's parade are particularly reington, to Lackawanna, to Franklin, to Spruce, to Washington, to Mulberry.

A unique feature of this conclave and one that is greatly appreciated by business men, is that the local Knights | ed as contestants and have received the Templar have not called on them for contributions in any manner.

A handsome souvenir programme in the shape of a book of 128 pages, with a specially designed illuminated cover, printed on the finest calendered paper, and illustrated with over sixty fine the list and may later give them a photo-gravures of prominent buildings and residences in the city, will be presented to every visiting Sir Knight and lady. This programme will not contain one line of advertising matter, and the expense of its production is orne entirely by the local Sir Knights. In view of the fact that business men have not been solicited for contributions or for advertisements in programmes, etc., the decoration of buildngs will be more general than ever before. As the visitors will be from among the most prominent men from very section of the state, it is hoped that every building in the central city at least, will put on a holiday appear-

PETER M'NALLY HERE.

And, Incidentally, the Forepaugh Sells Circus.

The Forepaugh-Sells Brothers big ircus arrived in this city early this morning from Wilkes-Barre, and the army of supers got ready to pitch th big tents at dawn on the Ash street grounds,

The circus parade, which is advertised as "the greatest ever," will leave the show grounds at 10 o'clock and will go over the principal streets in the central city, going out Washington avenue and returning by Wyoming.

Peter McNally, of Boston, the press agent of the show and the champion long-distance swimmer of the world. arrived in town shortly after midnight. just an hour or two ahead of the circus. Mr. McNally is the only man who ever swam the English channel. He has been a pugilist, a wrestler, a swimmer and a mighty successful newspaper man in his day, and he brings an originality and breezy style of his own to his work which puts him in a class by

NONE ARE EXEMPTED.

Persons Selling on Streets Must Pay License Tax.

As predicted in The Tribune last week, City Solicitor Watson has furnished Director of Public Safety Wormser with an opinion in which he declares that the payment of a mercantile tax exonerates no one from the payment of a peddler's or huckster's license tax, providing they come under the provisions of the ordinance providing for such a license tax.

RIGHT AFTER No Respecter of Rank

ONLY SEVEN POINTS SEPAR-ATE FIRST TWO LEADERS.

The Tribune's Educational Contest Is Becoming Exciting-A Tie for Third Place, with the Next Contestant but Two Points Behind. Thompson, Havenstrite and Chas. Dorsey Improve Their Positions Yesterday-Those Who Have Entered Should Report-Entry List Still Open.

Standing of Contestants

A. J. Kellerman, Scranton.110 2. Charles Burns, Vandling. 103 3. Wm. T. S. Rodriguez, Scranton 71

4. Herbert Thompson, Car-.... 71 5. Maxwell Shepherd, Carbondale 69 6. Albert Freedman, Belle-

7. Wm. Sherwood, Harford. 45 8. Harry Madden, Scranton. 43 9. Grant M. Decker, Hallstead 37 10. Homer Kresge, Hyde Park 34

11. A. J. Havenstrite, Mos-12. William Cooper, Priceburg 28 13. Harry Danvers, Providence 25
14. Louis McCusker, Park

Place 20 15. Miss Beatrice Harpur, Thompson 16 16. Walter Hallstead, Scran-18. John Dempsey, Olyphant. 13 19. Hugh Johnson, Forest

24. Miss Nellie Avery, Forest 26. Walter Ellis, Hyde Park. 27. R. D. Dorsey, Scranton... 28. Edgar Wilson, jr., Scran-

The fight for the leading positions in The Tribune's Educational Contest is now becoming quite interesting, A. Kellerman, who has held first place lmost since the beginning of the contest, is now seriously threatened with the loss of it, only seven points separating him from the young man in second place, Charles Burns, of Vandling, of whom esceptal mention was made in yesterday's Tribune, Mr. Burns crossed the century line as the result of his work yesterday.

Another pretty struggle is going on for possession of third place. young men, are tied for it this morn ng, with a third one only two points behind. William Rodriguez of Scranton and Herbert Thompson of Carbonon decorations, desires it suggested to dale have equal claims to the position this morning, but each one must work if he wants to hold it, for Maxwell Shepherd, of Carbondale is one of the and a day rarely passes that he does

A. J. Havenstrite of Moscow made jump from fourteenth to twelfth quested to decorate. The line of march place yesterday, and Charles W. Dorwill be out Mulberry to Washington, to sey, of Scranton, went up the list two Pine, to Jefferson, to Spruce, to Wash- positions. Altogether eight contestants brought in 63 points yesterday, of which Charles Burns scored 23.

Vacant places still abound. A number of young people who have registeroutfits should not delay in bringing in the points. A number who have appeared anxious to start to work have since failed to put in an appearance They should remember that one point only will give them representation in scholarship, if no others beat this in significant number. The thirty-three scholarships are all arranged for, and number of points a contestant must have to win one. The thirty-three contestants who have the highest number of points on the last day will get the

scholarships. The entry list will remain open for ome time longer. If you have not registered your name as a contestant you should study up the reasons why you should. They will be found on the fourth page of this morning's Tribune

Special Low Rates to St. Paul, Minn. On account of the National Baptists anniversaries at St. Paul, Minn., May 20th to 28th the Lackawanna railroad will sell round trip tickets to St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota, at \$33.70. Tickets will be sold good going May 17th, 18th and 19th and for return until June 30th inclusive, upon payment of 50 cents additional.

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Compound in the United States, tells us in the following letter how he keeps well under all circumstances; he says: "People have often asked me how managed to keep so well, for although out in nearly all kinds of weather and traveling considerably, I have no aches or sickness. My one answer has been that instead of waiting until am sick in bed and forced to stop work for awhile, whenever I feel out-ofsorts the least bit, I take Paine's Celery Compound, which keeps me well and strong. It is a great deal better in my opinion to take a medicine that keeps one well, rather than to wait for sickness, and then hunt around for a medicine or a doctor to cure the sickness. I have been a hearty advocate of Paine's Celery Compound since it was first made, a great many years ago, and have yet to hear of a case in

which it fails to fulfil its promises." DIAMOND DYES Can't be equaled. Nev-

G. A. R. Encampment Gettysburg, Pa., June 4th and 5th.

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